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- Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30):
- Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (PTO/SB/22);
- Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
- 5. Power of Attorney to Prosecute Applications Before the USPTO; and
- Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) (3 sheets). The Assignment documents were submitted for recordation pursuant to § 3.11.

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